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# CAT FANCIERS' FEDERATION



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# CONSTITUTION of the CAT FANCIERS' FEDERATION

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## ARTICLE I—NAME.

Sec. 1. This organization shall be known under the name Cat Fanciers' Federation.

## ARTICLE II—OBJECTS.

Sec. 1. The objects of this organization shall be the improvement of the breeds of cats in the United States and Canada; the registration of the pedigrees of cats and kittens; the adoption and publication of rules for the management of shows; and the promotion of a general interest in cats.

## ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP.

Sec. 1. Membership in this organization shall be of three kinds;

- (a) Regular Cat Clubs having a bona fide membership in good standing of not less than 10 members, and such as hold independent cat shows or such as organize and manage shows in conjunction with other pet stock associations, are eligible to Full Membership.
- (b) Specialty Clubs, similarly constituted as under "a" as to membership, which encourage the improvement of one or more specially mentioned breeds, are eligible to Associate Membership.
- (c) Pet stock, or other associations which hold cat shows, are eligible to Associate Membership.

Sec. 2. Associate members may become full members on payment of the regular due.

Sec. 3. A full member club shall be represented in this organization by three delegates, one of whom shall serve on the Executive Board. An associate member club shall be represented by one delegate, who is not entitled to serve on the Executive Board.

## ARTICLE IV—ELECTION TO MEMBERSHIP.

Sec. 1. Applications for membership must be made in writing to the Secretary of this organization; an applicant club must forward a copy of its constitution, by-laws or other rules and regulations, a list of its officers with their addresses, and must state the number of members carried on its roll, and must further certify the number of bona fide members in good standing at the date of the application.

Sec. 2. Applications shall be acted upon by the Executive Board, and a two-thirds vote shall elect. In case of rejection, the applicant

club may appeal and demand a mail vote by the full body of delegates; in such case, however, applicant must pay \$5.00 to cover the cost of said mail vote. Twenty days shall be allowed after mailing for a return of the votes, and a majority of those received within that period shall decide. In case of an appeal, the Secretary shall use due diligence in forwarding notices of the mail vote.

#### ARTICLE V—MEETINGS.

Sec. 1. The annual meeting of this Federation shall be held on the first Thursday in March of each year, and member clubs shall elect or appoint their delegates at least thirty days prior to that date, and must immediately thereafter communicate the names and addresses of said delegates to the Secretary of the Federation. These delegates shall act at the annual meeting.

Sec. 2. Special meetings may be called by the President, or upon the written demand of three member clubs who may name the time and place of such meeting. At such special meetings no business shall be transacted except that for which the meeting was especially called, unless a delegate in person be present from each member club and unanimous consent be obtained.

Sec. 3. The Secretary shall send by mail to each member club in good standing, thirty days before the date for holding the annual or special meetings, notice of the time when, and the place where, the meeting is to be held, and, in the case of special meetings, the business for which the meeting is summoned.

Sec. 4. At the annual and all special meetings, Regular Clubs shall be entitled to representation by three delegates and Associate Members by one delegate. Each delegate may be represented by a proxy to act in his or her stead, such proxy to be appointed by the delegate or club. Proxies shall be members of member clubs, but in no case may one person act as delegate or proxy for more than one club. Proxies must have written authority to act, but this need not be in any particular form. In case the full representation of a Regular Club be not present, the one or two delegates present shall have the right to cast the full three votes for the club.

Sec. 5. Five delegates or their proxies, present in person, if representing four or more clubs shall constitute a quorum.

#### ARTICLE VI—OFFICERS.

Sec. 1. The officers of this organization shall be elected at the annual meeting, and shall be a President, a First Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, who shall serve as members of the Executive Board in behalf of the club which each represents. Such officers shall hold office until their successors are elected, unless by resignation, death, or otherwise, any office shall have been vacated; in which case the vacancy may be filled by the Executive Board.

The President of every member club shall be a vice-president of this organization, and may attend all meetings but shall not be entitled to vote.

There shall also be a Recorder who may, or may not, be elected



from the delegates. The Recorder shall attend all meetings, but may not vote unless he or she is also a delegate.

There shall be an Executive Board consisting of one delegate (Board Member) from each club which enjoys full membership.

Sec. 2. The officers of this organization (except the Recorder) shall be chosen from the delegates only. Delegates from associate member clubs are not eligible to hold office. One officer only may be elected from the delegates of a club.

## ARTICLE VII—DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

Sec. 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Federation and of the Board, and in his absence the First Vice-President shall act in all respects as though President. In the absence of the President and First Vice-President, the chairman shall be chosen by the delegates present.

Sec. 2. The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of all meetings in a book provided therefor; shall send out notices of meetings; keep a list of member clubs and their delegates; have the custody of all papers (except the stud book and registers) and shall carry out the orders of the Federation.

Sec. 3. The Treasurer shall have the custody of all moneys, and shall receive and disburse the same under the direction of the Board.

Sec. 4. The Executive Board shall receive and act upon all applications for membership, and shall transact such business of the Federation as may be necessary and shall audit all bills. They shall decide all protests either against the infraction of the rules or conduct of member clubs in the management of shows. They shall also have the right to approve judges, to investigate their acts, and, if deemed advisable, to disqualify them from further participation in shows under the rules of this organization. A majority of the members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum.

Sec. 5. The Executive Board, after reviewing the entry forms, marked catalogues and signed judges' slips of each show, shall determine the number of championship points to which it is entitled.

Sec. 6. The Recorder shall be a salaried official whose remuneration shall be fixed annually by the Executive Board. He or she shall transmit all moneys received to the Treasurer at the end of each fiscal year. The Recorder shall have full charge of the stud book and registers.

## ARTICLE VIII—DUES.

Sec. 1. The annual dues for each Regular Club shall be ten dollars, payable on April 1 of each year, except that any applicant club elected after December of any year will be liable for only one-half the regular dues; but such newly elected club shall pay a second five dollars should it hold a show during the fiscal year of its election. Payment of the annual dues shall entitle a Regular Club to one show sanction during each fiscal year, but should it hold more than one show in any one fiscal year, a sanction fee of ten dollars shall be paid for each subsequent show. Show sanctions will not be issued to clubs in arrears for dues.

A club failing to pay its dues within ninety days shall not be entitled to participate in the proceedings of any meeting thereafter, and if, at the end of six months, a club is still in arrears it may be dropped from membership, but due notice of such intended action shall be first given to the club concerned.

Sec. 2. Associate Members shall pay five dollars annual dues in such years as they do not hold shows, or hold them in conjunction with other member clubs, but should Associate Members hold independent shows, the annual dues shall be ten dollars. Should an Associate Member hold more than one independent show in any one fiscal year, a sanction fee of ten dollars shall be paid for each subsequent show.

#### ARTICLE IX—DISCIPLINE.

Sec. 1. This organization at its annual, or any special meeting, by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present may suspend or expel any club, the said club having had opportunity to defend itself against whatever charges that may have been brought against it.

Sec. 2. Charges against individuals, show officials, or judges, may be made to the Executive Board by any exhibitor or by any individual member of the member clubs of this organization, provided such charges are accompanied by a sworn affidavit alleging belief in their truth. At least two copies of the charges must be filed, together with ten dollars, which sum shall be returned if the charges are sustained, but otherwise shall be forfeited. Any individual found guilty of infraction of these rules, after due notice and opportunity for defense has been afforded, shall be suspended for at least one year or may be permanently denied all rights and privileges of shows under these rules, at the option of the Board. No person found guilty in this manner shall act as judge or other official at any show held under the rules of this organization for at least one year after suspension.

#### ARTICLE X—SANCTIONS.

Sec. 1. Sanctions for shows under the rules of this Federation shall, upon application to the Secretary, be granted to all members in good standing. Names of the appointed judges, to be approved by the Executive Board, must be filed with the application at least thirty days prior to the date of the show.

Sec. 2. Sanctions for shows may be granted by the Executive Board to organizations not members of this Federation, upon application to the Secretary, accompanied by a fee of ten dollars, and upon the written agreement that the rules of this Federation will be obeyed, prizes paid, and none but approved judges be allowed to officiate. The names of judges must be filed at least thirty days prior to the date of the show.

#### ARTICLE XI—AMENDMENTS.

Sec. 1. Amendments to the constitution, rules or regulations, of this Federation in order to be acted upon at the annual, or at any special, meeting must be filed with the Secretary in time to be transmitted to all the delegates at least thirty days in advance of such meeting. A two-thirds vote of those present is necessary for adoption. Amendments may be amended at a meeting as to wording but not as to intent.

# **REGISTRATION RULES**

of the

## **CAT FANCIERS' FEDERATION**

### **ARTICLE I—STUD BOOK AND REGISTERS.**

Sec. 1 This Federation undertakes the conduct of, (a) Stud Book for cats and kittens of pure breed, (b) a Register for cats and kittens ineligible to the Stud Book, (c) a Register for kittens.

### **ARTICLE II—BREEDS RECOGNIZED.**

Sec. 1. Long hair; Persian or Angora.

Sec. 2. Short hair; Manx, Siamese. Russian. Abyssinian, Australian and Domestic.

### **ARTICLE III—REGISTRATION IN THE STUD BOOK.**

Sec. 1. Cats and kittens may be entered in the Stud Book of this Federation in accordance with the following conditions:

Rule. 1. When the sire and dam have been properly registered in, (a) the Stud Book of this Federation, (b) the United States Official Register and Stud Book, Vol. I, (c) The Beresford Cat Club Stud Book, (d) the National Cat Club Stud Book, (e) the Cat Club Register of England, or (f) the Cat Fanciers' Association Stud Book, prior to February, 1919.

Rule. 2. When the sire and dam are of the same breed and registered in, (a) the Stud Book or the American Cat Association, or (b) the Stud Book of the Cat Fanciers' Association or (c) the Stud Book of the Governing Council of the Cat Fancy of England, under rules that conform with those of this Federation.

Rule 3. When the sire and dam shall have won a full championship in England under the rules of the National Cat Club or the Governing Council of the Cat Fancy, or in America under rules that conform with those of this Federation, no further tracing back of the pedigree of that particular ancestor shall be necessary.

Rule 4. When the sire and dam, and grandsires and granddams, are of the same breed and properly registered in the Register of the Federation, or in one of the books referred to in Rules 1 and 2.

Rule. 5. When the cat shows three top crosses of sires of one breed properly registered in one of the books referred to in Rules 1 and 2.

Rule 6. When a cat shall have won a full championship under the rules of this Federation.

Rule 7. When cats are imported from European countries, provided that they can show six ancestors of the same breed, divided between the sire's and dam's pedigrees, which are properly registered in one of the books referred to in Rules 1 and 2.

Rule 8. Persian, Manx, Siamese, Australian, Russian, and Abyssinian cats may be entered in the Stud Book of this Federation when imported direct from the country of their nativity, upon proof of that fact.

#### ARTICLE IV—REGISTRATION IN THE REGISTER.

Sec. 1. Cats or kittens may be entered in the Register of this Federation under the following conditions:

Rule 1. When either the sire or dam is registered in the Stud Book of this Federation, or when the cat itself has been registered in any Stud Book recognized by this Federation, or when its sire and dam have both been registered in the Register of the Federation, or when its sire or dam have been registered in a recognized Stud Book.

Rule 2. Any long haired cat or kitten, if not eligible for the Stud Book, may be entered in the Register upon a sworn statement that it is bred of long haired sire and dam.

Rule 3. Any short haired cat or kitten may be entered in the Register upon a sworn statement that both sire and dam are of the same short haired breed.

Rule 4. Waifs or rescued cats may be entered in the Register upon a sworn statement to that effect and that their percentage is unknown.

Rule 5. The ancestors of any cat may be entered in the Register in order to make said cat eligible for the Stud Book, provided they are already entered in stud books recognized by this Federation or upon evidence satisfactory to the Recorder that they are eligible for such registration.

#### ARTICLE V—THE KITTEN REGISTER.

Sec. 1. Any kitten under eight months of age may be entered in the Kitten Register under the rules governing the Stud Book and Register, date of birth and color being required.

#### ARTICLE VI—REGISTRATION FEES, &c.

Sec. 1. The fee for registration in the Stud Book of this Federation shall be One Dollar.

Sec. 2. Cats eligible for the Register may be entered upon payment of a fee of Fifty Cents.

Sec. 3. The fee for entering a kitten in the Kitten Register shall be Twenty-five Cents.

Sec. 4. If a cat be entered in the Register of this Federation and subsequently can be proven to be eligible for the Stud Book, it may be transferred on payment of the additional fee of Fifty Cents.

Sec. 5. Any kitten entered in the Kitten Register of this Federation may be transferred to the Stud Book, if eligible, on payment of an additional fee of Seventy-five Cents, or it may be transferred to the Register on payment of Twenty-five Cents.



**Sec. 6.** No cat eligible for the Stud Book will be accepted for the Register.

**Sec. 7.** Entries must be made on the blanks of this Federation which will be furnished by the Recorder on application.

**Sec. 8.** Duplication of names will not be allowed in the Stud Book and Registers of this Federation, and no unregistered prefixes or affixes may be used.

**Sec. 9.** In order to use the numeral affixes, or any other variations, the written permission of the owner of the cat bearing the original name must be obtained.

**Sec. 10.** On application, a certified copy of registered pedigree will be issued by the Recorder for a fee of Fifty Cents.

**Sec. 11.** Certificates of Championships, when won under the rules of this Federation, will be issued by the Recorder on payment of a fee of Fifty Cents.

#### **ARTICLE VII—NAMES, CHANGE OF NAMES, CATTERY NAMES AND OWNERSHIP.**

**Sec. 1.** In order to avoid conflict of names, due to the existence of other stud books and registers, no name will be allowed, if after publication, protest is made by the owner of the cat bearing the protested name, provided proof be afforded that said name has already been accepted elsewhere.

**Sec. 2.** No change of a registered name will be permitted. In case of change of ownership, the new owner may register in a subsequent volume, using his own registered prefix or affix in addition if desired, for one-half the original entry fee, the registered number remaining the same.

**Sec. 3.** The fee for registering a cattery name shall be Two Dollars. Recognized English cattery names, and those registered in this country, may be used only by the owners for such stock as they register. Cats or kittens procured from catteries with registered names must retain the cattery name.

# SHOW RULES

of the

## CAT FANCIERS' FEDERATION

### ARTICLE I—DEFINITIONS.

Sec. 1. The word "cat" is used in these rules to indicate a domesticated feline of either sex, or a neuter, of adult age (over eight months). A kitten is an immature cat under the age of eight months, but to be eligible for showing it must be between the ages of four and eight months.

Sec. 2. An American cat is one born in the United States, or Canada, of a dam resident in the United States, or Canada, at the time of mating.

Sec. 3. The breeder of a cat is the person who owns or has leased the dam at the time of mating.

### ARTICLE II—ELIGIBILITY FOR EXHIBITION.

Sec. 1. Any cat of sound health is eligible for exhibition at shows held under the rules of this Federation, and may compete and be entitled to win in any class.

Sec. 2. No kitten is eligible to compete unless registered in one of the books of this Federation, but the Show Manager may accept provisional registration of kittens, at time of entry, if proper fee is paid.

Sec. 3. Cats or kittens entered for competition must be the bona fide property of the person making the entry. If ownership be transferred after entry has been made, said transfer must be reported by the seller to the Show Manager prior to the opening of the show, and prizes will be paid or delivered accordingly, but such transfer of ownership will not be considered in allotting any prize for "display".

### ARTICLE III—ENTRIES.

Sec. 1. Any person entering cats or kittens at shows held under these rules must agree to abide by the rules. Names of the cats and kittens, and, when possible, date of birth, names of sire and dam, and of breeder and owner, must be given.

Sec. 2. The date of closing of entries having been duly announced, the show management cannot be compelled to accept entries made, or mailed after midnight of that date, postmarks to be accepted as evidence. All entries should be made on the regular entry blanks furnished by the show management. No telephone nor telegraphic entries will be accepted unless immediately confirmed in writing.

Sec. 3. Cats or kittens entered for competition and present cannot be withdrawn prior to the judging unless the advertised judge does not officiate. In such case, the exhibitor may declare his cat "for exhibition only" and shall have the right to place a sign to that effect on the animal's cage, that exhibitors may know that said cat has not

been defeated. In such case, if a marked catalogue is used, stating awards, the word "withdrawn" must be set opposite the cat's or kitten's name.

Sec. 4. When entry is received, acknowledgment of same must be forwarded at once. Each shipping tag must bear the name of the cat and number of its cage. Exhibitors who do not personally accompany their cats should attach a number of other distinguishing mark for each cat to facilitate correct benching.

Sec. 5. Where cats are shipped by express, the return address must be written on the reverse side of the express tag.

#### ARTICLE IV—CLASSIFICATION.

Sec. 1. Three classes shall be recognized for each type; Open, Novice and Kitten.

Sec. 2. The Open Class is for cats of either sex over eight months old.

Sec. 3. The Novice Class is for cats over eight months old that have never won a first prize, kitten wins excepted, at any sanctioned show in the United States or Canada, previous to the opening day of the show. Imported cats may not be entered in novice classes.

Sec. 4. The Kitten Class is for any kitten, male, female, or neuter, between the ages of four and eight months on the opening day of the show.

Sec. 5. There may also be classes for cats not eligible for championships, also for neuters, at the option of the show management but none of these classes shall include kittens under four months of age.

#### ARTICLE V—CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Sec. 1. Any cat which wins 10 points in the same color class, under the conditions specified in this rule, shall be entitled to the prefix "Champion" upon receiving a certificate of championship from the Recorder. Championship medals shall be awarded only on the completion of the first 10 points; claimants for each extra 10 championship points shall receive certificates as provided in the rules, but no more than one championship medal shall be awarded each cat.

Sec. 2. Of each color, recognized as entitled to championships, the winning male in the Open Class shall compete with the winning male in the Novice Class, and the better of the two shall be awarded the championship points at that show for his color and type, and shall be known as the "Winner", receiving the winner's ribbon. The winning female in the Open and the one in the Novice shall be similarly compared and the points allotted.

Sec. 3. At sanctioned shows, the winners of championship points shall be allotted one point for 50 or more, two points for 100 or more, three points for 125 or more, and four points for 150 or more, cats and kittens present and competing. Special ratings for specialty shows may be allotted as follows: Two points for 25 or more, three points for 40 or more, four points for 50 or more, cats and kittens, present and competing.

Sec. 4. At all sanctioned shows not smaller than a two-point show, the best male and the best female, long-haired and short-haired, in the show shall have one championship point in addition to the regular allotment provided for in Section. 3.

Sec. 5. Show Managers shall be required to file with the Recorder a complete list of all cats winning championship points, within 60 days after the closing day of the show. Managers failing to comply with this rule shall be subject to a fine.

Sec. 6. Claimants for championship points will be required to file with the Recorder a list of shows at which points have been won and proof of the number of points to which they claim to be entitled.

#### ARTICLE VI—COLORS.

Sec. 1. The following colors are recognized as entitled to win championship honors at shows sanctioned by this Federation:

White, blue-eyed	Silver	Red
White, yellow-eyed	Shaded Silver	Red Tabby
Black	Silver Tabby	Cream
Blue	Smoke	Brown Tabby
		Tortoiseshell

Sec. 2. The colors above enumerated are applicable to both the long and short-haired, and in addition championship points may be won at sanctioned shows by Siamese, Manx, Russian, Australian and Abyssinian cats.

Sec. 3. Cats having a white button should compete in their regular classes.

#### Non-Championship Classes.

Sec. 4. At the option of the Show Managers, classes may also be offered for cats with white, thus: Black with White; Blue with White; Tortoiseshell with White; Tabby with White; etc.

Sec. 5. White cats having odd eyes should compete in the Non-Championship Classes.

Sec. 6. Any color not provided for above should be entered in the Any Other Color Class (A.O.C.).

#### ARTICLE VII—VETERINARIAN.

Sec. 1. A properly qualified veterinarian shall examine each cat prior to the beginning of the judging and shall disqualify all cats which show any form of contagious disease, such cats to be removed at once from the show room. All cats considered by the veterinary to be in good health shall have a card to that effect attached to their cages.

Sec. 2. Any exhibitor suspecting a cat of having any contagious disease must report the same to the Show Committee, and it shall be the duty of that committee to remove such cat to a cage in a room apart from the regular show room until the veterinary shall pass upon the health of the suspected animal. Should the veterinary find it necessary, he shall order the immediate removal of any sick cat from the show.



Such cat shall be entitled to all prizes allotted to it prior to the decision of the veterinary.

#### ARTICLE VIII—DUTIES OF SHOW OFFICIALS.

Sec. 1. A Show Committee and a Show Manager must be appointed, or elected, by the club or association. The Show Manager and all other officials, excepting the Judge, shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the Show Committee. The names of all officials must be posted at the show on a bulletin board convenient of access.

Sec. 2. Any person entering a cat or kitten for any show held under the rules of this Federation shall by such act be deemed to have agreed to refer any question or dispute to the Show Committee, with right of further protest to the Executive Board of the Federation.

Sec. 3. Should any cat be wrongly entered, or entered contrary to the rules, the Show Committee shall disqualify such exhibit. In case of disqualification, the animal next best may be given the prize, as though the disqualified animal had never been in competition.

Sec. 4. Show officials must not transfer cats wrongly entered as to color. Exhibitors must themselves decide as to the colors of their exhibits, and must abide by their own errors of judgment. Cats wrongly entered as to color must be marked "wrong class" by the Judge.

Sec. 5. Any cat which shall have won a first prize in the Novice Class after the closing of entries, may be transferred to the Open Class on application of the owner or agent to the Show Manager before the advertised hour of judging. Cats not so transferred shall be disqualified by the Show Committee. Should the cat have been entered in both Novice and Open Classes and two fees paid, the Novice Class fee shall be refunded.

Sec. 6. Under no circumstances may show officials accept entries after the catalogue has gone to press. All entries shall appear in the printed catalogue which is required at shows held under the rules of this Federation. No changes in classification, except as provided for in these rules, may be made after the advertised hour for judging has arrived.

Sec. 7. Any club holding a show reserves the right to reject any entry without assigning any reason.

Sec. 8. Judges shall withhold awards if in their judgment the exhibits have not sufficient merit. Judges must mark "wrong class" against exhibits wrongly entered as to color or sex, but questions as to age or eligibility to novice, kitten or special classes must be referred to the Show Committee, which shall investigate the matter. The class must be judged as though the doubtful exhibit were eligible and one additional award allotted, so that in case the protested animal is disqualified, the regular list of awards may be made.

Sec. 9. Show Managers are forbidden to accept substitute cats and kittens in place of the original entries, and no cat nor kitten will be allowed in the show-rooms unless properly entered.

Sec. 10. Judges shall completely disqualify for congenital deformity and penalize points where the deformity is caused by accident or disease.

Powder found in the coat at the time of judging shall absolutely disqualify the exhibit. Plucking, trimming, or dyeing, or any other fraudulent practice, shall also disqualify.

Sec. 11. Show Managers must send to the Recorder duplicate printer's "copy" of the catalogue in order that all registration numbers may be verified before the show opens.

Sec. 12. The number of championship points to be allowed for each show will be determined by the Executive Board of this Federation. Show Managers shall submit, within ten days after the closing of a show, signed entry forms, marked catalogue, and signed judge's slips, for each sanctioned show. These documents will be returned. All exhibits not present must be marked "absent" in the judging book.

Sec. 13. Cats will be fed and cared for by a Feeding Committee, unless the exhibitor prefers to take charge of his exhibits.

Sec. 14. Show officials will take all reasonable pains to properly care for cats, hampers, etc., but it is expressly stipulated that neither they nor the club can be held pecuniarily liable for loss or accident to cats at any time, or for loss or damage to hampers, crates or other carriers.

Sec. 15. In case of the absence of the regularly appointed Judge, the Show Committee shall appoint a substitute judge. In such case, exhibitors may decline to allow their entries to compete, but they shall not remove them from the show for this reason.

Sec. 16. Member clubs are required to have in their possession all cups and trophies offered by them for competition. A club failing to deliver cups and trophies won shall be subject to fine of ten dollars.

Sec. 17. The colors for ribbons or cards designating prizes shall be as follows: First prize, dark blue; second, red; third, yellow; fourth, or V. H. C. (Very Highly Commended), green. The words "Championship Class" shall be printed on all ribbons or cards designating awards in the Open and Novice Classes; and the words "Non-Championship Class" on ribbons or cards in Kitten, Neuter, and A. O. C. Classes.

Sec. 18. Prior to the judging, there shall be nothing on cages to indicate the identity of the cat, cattery or exhibitor.

Sec. 19. Cats entered for exhibition are entered with the distinct understanding that they are to remain during the entire show. Exhibitors, however, may remove cats at night by depositing five dollars with the show management for each cat, said deposit to be returned if the cat is replaced in its cage by nine o'clock on the day following; otherwise it shall be forfeited, and all prizes won by that exhibitor shall also be forfeited. Cats shall not be removed otherwise except upon a certificate signed by the veterinarian. It shall, however, be optional with each club to announce in advance in its premium list whether cats sold during the show may be immediately delivered, or whether exhibitor may remove their kitten entries at the end of the first day of the show.

Sec. 20. Exhibitors announcing in the catalogue the selling price of any entry may not during the show increase the amount named, and any person shall have the right to purchase at this catalogue price.

All sales must be reported promptly to the Show Manager, who shall deduct 10 per cent. commission.

Sec. 21. Show Managers failing to comply with the provisions of any of these rules shall be liable to a cash fine or suspension at the option of the Executive Board.

Sec. 22. Judges are prohibited from exhibiting "for competition" at shows where they are officiating, but may enter their cats "For Sale" or "for exhibition only".

#### ARTICLE IX—PROTESTS.

Sec. 1. Protests against the management of shows held under these rules must be made in writing to the Executive Board of this Federation within 60 days after the last day of the show.

Sec. 2. A protest against the show conduct of an individual having been duly lodged and the person having been found guilty by the Executive Board, said person shall not be allowed to exhibit, judge, nor act in any official capacity at shows held under these rules, unless formally reinstated at a regular meeting of the Executive Board, held not less than six months after the date of the suspension.

Sec. 3. Protests to the Executive Board of this Federation must be accompanied by a deposit of five dollars. If the protest be sustained, the deposit will be returned; otherwise it will be forfeited.

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#### THE STANDARD.

**TYPE:** The perfect cat should be of cobby type, that is to say, low on the legs, deep in the chest, massive across the shoulders and rump, with a short well-rounded middle piece. In size, the cat should be large or medium, but there should be no sacrifice of quality for the sake of mere size.

**HEAD:** The head should be round and massive, with great breadth of skull, and be well set on a neck not too long. **EARS:** Neat, round tipped, set wide apart and not unduly open at the base. **NOSE:** Short, snub and broad. **CHEEKS:** Full. **JAWS:** Broad and powerful.

**EYES:** Large, round, full, set wide apart and brilliant, giving a sweet expression to the face.

**TAIL:** Short, carried without a curve and at an angle lower than the back, but not trailed, when walking.

**BACK:** Level.

**LEGS:** Thick and strong; forelegs, perfectly straight.

**PAWS:** Large, round and firm; toes, carried close; five in front and four behind.

**COAT:** Long hair. The coat should show, primarily, perfect physical condition. It should be of fine texture, soft, glossy, full of life and should stand off from the body. It should be long all over the body, including the shoulders. The ruff should be immense and con-

tinus in a deep frill between the front legs. Ear tufts, long and curved. Toe tufts, long. Brush very full.

It is particularly desirable to eliminate rangy, flat-sided, narrow chested, long, spindle-legged, long tailed cats, with long noses, large ears, pointed and upright, eyes set bias or close together, receding chins, light bone and a general "foxy" face.

**WHITE:** Pure white, no colored hairs. Eyes, deep blue or deep orange.

**BLACK:** Dense coal black, sound from roots to tip of fur; absolutely free from any tinge of rust on tips or smoke in under-coat. Eyes, copper or deep orange.

**BLUE:** Color, blue not drab, lighter shade preferred, one level tone, without shadings or markings from nose to tip of tail, and sound to the roots. Eyes, copper or deep orange.

**SILVER:** Silvers should be pale unshaded silver. Any brown or cream tinge to be considered a great drawback. The eyes to be green.

**SHADED SILVER:** Shaded Silvers should be pure unmarked silver, shading gradually down the sides, face and tail, from dark on the ridge, to pale on chin, chest, belly and under the tail; the legs to be the same tone as the face. The general effect to be much darker than a Silver. Any brown or cream tinge to be considered a great drawback. Eyes to be green.

**SILVER TABBY:** The color of a Silver Tabby should be a pale clear silver with broad dense black markings. Any brown or cream tinge to be considered detrimental. The eyes to be green.

**SMOKE:** A Smoke cat must be black, shading to smoke, with as light an undercoat as possible and black points, light silver frill and ear tufts. Eyes to be orange.

**RED:** Deep, rich, clear, brilliant red, without shadings or markings; lips and chin, same color as coat. Eyes, copper or deep orange.

**RED TABBY:** Ground color, red. Markings (as described for Brown Tabby) to be a deep rich red. No ticking. Eyes, copper or deep orange.

**CREAM:** Cream, free from shadings or markings. Eyes, copper or deep orange.

**BROWN TABBY:** Ground color, including lips and chin, rich and tawny. Markings, dense black, clearly defined and broad (not narrow pencilings). Legs, evenly barred, the "bracelets" coming high up to meet the body markings. Tail barred. Barring on neck and chest, or "necklaces" distinct, like so many chains. Head barred. Cheek swirls and swirls on sides of body continuing each, in an unbroken ring. The marks upon the face and between the ears and down the neck to meet the "butterfly" on the shoulders which divides the head from the spine lines. Back markings, to consist of a distinct black stripe down the middle of the back with stripes of the ground color on either side of it, and black lines on either side of them. No ticking. Eyes, deep orange.



**TORTOISESHELL:** Black, orange, and cream, bright, clearly defined and well broken, that is patched and not brindled. Half of nose black, half orange, known as the "blaze". No tabby markings. Eyes, copper or deep orange.

**BLACK with WHITE: BLUE with WHITE; TORTOISE-SHELL with WHITE; TABBY with WHITE, etc.** The standard for these colors demands an even pattern of marking on both sides of the animal.

All domestic short-haired cats shall conform to this Standard.

### **MANX STANDARD.**

Manx cats shall conform to the colors of domestic short-haired cats, and also in type, except as follows: **LEGS:** Hind legs much longer than fore. **TAIL:** There should be a complete absence of tail, and slight depression at base of spine.

### **SIAMESE STANDARD.**

**HEAD:** Rather long and pointed. Deep chocolate brown mask. Pale fawn color on top of head between ears.

**EARS:** Neat, narrow, small at apex, broad at base, well-defined, deep chocolate brown in color.

**EYES:** Not so round as domestic cat, slanting somewhat toward the nose. Blue in color, deeper shade preferred.

**BODY:** Medium in size, graceful, lithe of movement. Clear pale fawn in color.

**LEGS:** Slender, not too long, and of a deep chocolate brown in color.

**FEET:** Smaller than those of the domestic cat, deep chocolate brown in color.

**TAIL:** Tapering, straight preferred, deep chocolate brown in color.

**COAT:** Soft, sleek, short, glossy, close lying.

**CONDITION:** Not too fat, inclined more to muscle.

**OBJECTIONS:** Pale eye color, odd eyes, grey or yellowish tinge in eyes. Blotchy or mixed coat, tabby or ticked markings or shadings. Extra or white toes. White spots on belly or throat. Long hairs appearing in the chocolate brown points.

### **AUSTRALIAN STANDARD.**

**HEAD:** Wedge-shaped, with Roman nose; muzzle pinched; whiskers very short, or none at all.

**EYES:** Set low, but large and full; wrinkles on forehead and chin.

**EARS:** Large, open and very thin, hairless inside, covered with fine hair outside.

**BODY:** Small in size, inclined to length, deep in loins, shoulders raised.

**LEGS:** Slender, hind legs higher.

**FEET:** Paws high-arched, bony in appearance; claws unsheathed.  
**TAIL:** Long and tapering to a sharp point, rather flat in appearance, hair very close.

**COAT:** Very short and upstanding.

**CONDITION:** Not too fat, inclined more to muscle.

**COLOR:** Those marked with white are eligible to championship points.

#### **ABYSSINIAN STANDARD.**

The Abyssinian cat should be similar in type to the Siamese, Face rather long and wedge-shaped. Tail short and thick. Ears large. Cat inclined to be small in size.

**COLOR:** Reddish fawn or grey, with each individual hair ticked. A perfect specimen should be entirely free from tabby markings.

#### **SCALE OF POINTS.**

Color .....	25
Coat and Condition .....	25
Head (including size and shape of eyes) .....	20
Type (including shape, size, bone and length of tail) .....	20
Color of Eyes .....	10

**Total 100**

